# **Wood to Energy Workshop**

December 8, 2008 Helena Regional Airport, Helena, Montana

#### Welcome

10:00 Duane Harp, Helena District Ranger, US Forest Service

### **Keynote Address**

10:10 Governor Brian Schweitzer

### The Problem and the Opportunity

Current and desired forest conditions, forest management tools, and the role of wood energy in our integrated wood products industry

10:25 Robert Harrington, State Forester, Montana Dept. of Natural Resources and Conservation

# **Fuel Supply and Delivery Methods**

Assessing Montana's woody biomass supply

11:00 Angela Farr, Biomass Utilization Coordinator, Montana Dept. of Natural Resources and Conservation

Methods and equipment for creating and delivering cost-effective, quality fuel

11:20 Dr. Elizabeth Dodson, University of Montana

11:45 Question and Answer Session

### Lunch and Demonstration of Biomax Heat and Power System

12:00 Lunch (Bring your own or reserve purchase with workshop coordinators)
Demonstration by Brian Kerns, UM College of Technology

## **Wood Energy Technologies: Future and Present**

From liquid bio-fuels to woody biomass heat and power

1:00 David Atkins, US Forest Service Northern and Intermountain Regions

### **Success Stories at Different Scales**

Project development, challenges and successes

- 1:35 Brian Patrick, Superintendent, Townsend Public Schools
- 1:50 Video Presentation: St. Paul, Minnesota District Energy System

### Project Feasibility, Design and Decision Making

Approaches for different applications and key features of successful projects

2:00 Nick Salmon, CTA Architects and Engineers

### Financing

Assembling diverse financial packages, including grants, loans and carbon offset sales

2:30 Mia Whitfield, Townsend Public Schools

### Air Quality

Emissions comparisons, permitting regulations and project evaluation services

- 2:45 Eric Merchant, Montana Department of Environmental Quality
- 3:00 Question and Answer Session and Final Remarks

#### Reception with refreshments to follow







